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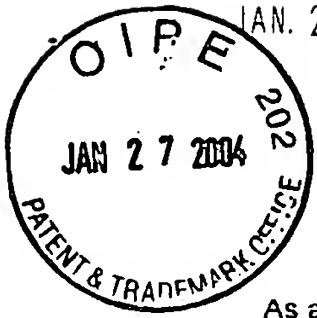
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and the specification of which  is attached hereto (Aventis Docket No. DEAV2002/0068US NP1)  
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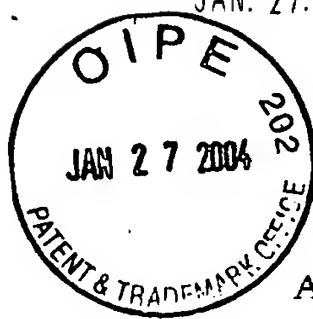
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